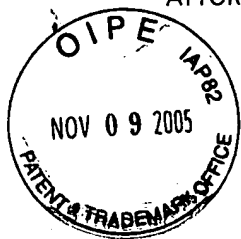


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For: **Hapten-Carrier Conjugates and Uses Thereof**
Inventors: Bachmann *et al.*
Our Ref: 1700.0300001/BJD/SJE

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form for \$100.00 to cover:
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2. Request for Certificate of Correction Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.322 and 1.323;
3. Certificate of Correction (PTO/SB/44); and
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It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Sir:

It is hereby requested that a Certificate of Correction under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.322 and 1.323 be issued for the above-captioned United States Patent. This Certificate of Correction is being requested due to mistakes which appear in the printed patent. These mistakes were made by both the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) and by Applicants. The mistakes made by Applicants are of a clerical or typographical nature, or of a minor character. Patentees submit that correction of these errors does not introduce new matter.

Specifically, the printed patent contains the following errors for which a Certificate of Correction is respectfully requested:

In column 21, line 5, please delete "sulthydryl group" and insert --sulfhydryl group--;

In column 21, line 6, please delete "sulffiydryl group" and insert -- sulfhydryl group--;

In column 24, line 65, please delete "antiserum" and insert --antiserum.--;

In column 25, line 50, please delete "with Alum" and insert --without Alum--;

In column 58, line 35, please delete "ug" and insert --μg--;

In column 58, line 54, please delete "FIG. 7" and insert --FIG. 6A--;

In column 58, line 62, please delete "FIG. 7" and insert --FIG. 6B--; and

In column 96, line 28, which is claim 18, element (e), please delete "N-[1-oxo-6-[(2S)-2-(3-pyridyl)-1-pyrrolidinyl]hexyl]-" and insert --N-[1-oxo-6-[(2S)-2-(3-pyridyl)-1-pyrrolidinyl]hexyl]- --.

Remarks

The errors at column 21, lines 5-6 and column 24, line 65 are due to mistakes by the Office.

Minor typographical corrections are sought at column 21, lines 5-6; column 24, line 65; column 58, line 35; and column 96, line 28. Accordingly, these corrections do not introduce new matter.

Correction is also sought at column 55, line 50 to correct a minor typographical error. The corrected sentence would now recite that "[f]or the subcutaneous route without Alum, the average IgG titers obtained with Nic-Qβ were 13228." This statement corresponds to the entry in Table II which indicates that the IgG titer was 13228 in mice immunized subcutaneously without Alum. In addition, those of ordinary skill in the art know that the titer obtained from immunization with Alum is expected to be higher than from immunization without Alum, as may also be seen in Table II. Accordingly, the correction at column 55, line 50 does not introduce new matter.

Correction is also sought at column 58, lines 54 and 62, to correct a typographical error in referring to a Figure 7, and to correctly refer to Figures 6A and 6B, respectively. There is no Figure 7 in the present patent.

Accordingly, the above-noted corrections do not involve such changes in the patent as would constitute new matter or would require reexamination.

A completed Form PTO/SB/44 accompanies this request, with the above-noted corrections printed thereon. Accordingly, a Certificate of Correction is believed proper and issuance thereof is respectfully requested.

This request is accompanied by payment of the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(a). Fee payment is provided in the attached Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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It is certified that error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below.

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